



Hoops for Hope 3v3 Basketball Tournament Rules

Teams

- Each team member must have a signed waiver (or a waiver signed by a guardian if under the age of 18) before engaging in play.
- Teams may register up to four (4) individuals for their team, but will each play three (3) players on the court at all times. The fourth individual will be considered a substitute, and can sub in for a teammate on a deadball, with permission from the Game Official.

Time limit/Scoring

- A field goal is worth 1 point.
- A successful goal from behind a designated line is worth 2 points. The player shooting must have both feet completely behind the line when initiating the attempt.
- **Games will be played to 15 points and teams must win by 2 points.**
- **All games will have a 25-minute time limit.** The Game Official starting time will be recorded by the Game Official on the score sheet. The Game Official time will be under the jurisdiction of the Game Official. (The “clock” will be stopped only during timeouts – regular and/or injury.). The team leading at the end of 25 minutes will be declared the winner.
- If the game is tied after 25 minutes of play and no team has reached the required number of points to win the game, the Game Official will flip a coin to determine team possession. The first team to score will win the game.
- Each team is allowed one (1) one minute time-out per game.

Live Ball / Dead Ball / Possession

- A coin flip before the start of the game will determine who gets the ball out-of-bounds first.
- The ball will change possession after each scored basket (i.e. no possession/no make it take it).

- Jump balls will be called by the Game Official and will go to the defense. (Not alternating possession)
- The top, bottom and sides of the backboard are in play; however, the back of the backboard and the support structure of the basket are not in play.
- The ball must be checked by an opposing player before it is put into play. The player must pass the ball in while standing out-of-bounds at the top of the court to begin play.
- All fouls and violations will be played out-of-bounds at the top of the court.
- A ball out-of-bounds will be taken out at the top of the court.
- The ball must be “taken back” to the marked line on the court on every change of possession. “Taking back” means both feet and the ball behind the take back line. Violation occurs only if a basket is made by the team failing to properly “take it back”, and will result in loss of point scored and possession of the ball will go to the other team. If the ball is not “taken back” and then advanced, any other violation, common foul, offensive foul, intentional, flagrant or technical foul called by the Game Official will be honored. Exception: If a player is fouled in the act of shooting and makes the basket prior to properly “taking it back” the foul will be honored; however, no points will be awarded.

Fouls and Free Throws

All Shooting fouls will be handled in the following manner:

- When the basket is made – count the basket and whether the ensuing free throw is made or missed, possession goes to the defensive team.
- When the basket is missed – if the free throw is made, possession goes to the defensive team. If the free throw is missed, the offensive team retains possession.

Expectations

Players are expected to wear appropriate athletic attire, and be in a physical condition allowing them to play. Teams will play through a double elimination round, with the initial bracket created through a random drawing. Players (and fans) are expected to display good sportsmanship throughout the day.